

Application for Works Approval Amendment

Part V Division 3 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Works Approval Number	W6636/2022/1
Works Approval Holder	Boab Metals Limited
ACN	ACN 107 159 713
File Number	DER2018/001042-6
Premises	Part of the Mining Lease M80/286 KUNUNURRA WA 6473 As defined by the premises maps attached to the issued works approval.
Date of Report	04/03/2025
Decision	Revised works approval granted

Manager, Resource Industries an officer delegated under section 20 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (WA)

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1. Decision summary

The Delegated Officer has determined to make amendments to Works Approval W6636/2022/1. The amendments are administrative in nature therefore they do not alter the risk profile of the Premises, providing that activities, emissions and receptors as stated in existing approvals remain unchanged.

This Amendment Report documents the amendments made pursuant to section 59 and 59(B) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act).

The decision report for the Existing works approval will remain on the department's website for future reference and will act as a record of the department's decision making.

2. Scope of assessment

2.1 Regulatory framework

In amending the works approval, the department has considered and given due regard to its Regulatory Framework and relevant policy documents which are available at https://dwer.wa.gov.au/regulatory-documents.

2.2 Amendment summary

Works Approval W6636/2022/1 is held by Boab Metals Ltd for the installation and operation of a mobile crushing and screening plant for the crushing and screening of material to be used in the construction of hardstand areas, laydowns and haul roads at the premises for the Sorby Hills project. The premises is located on part mining Lease M80/286 which is located approximately 50 km north of Kununurra, in the East Kimberley region, Western Australia.

The Premises relates to category 12 - mobile crushing and screening plant and the assessed design capacity under Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations* 1987 (EP Regulations) which are defined in existing Works Approval W6636/2022/1.

On 24/01/2025, the Works Approval Holder submitted an application to the department to amend Works Approval W6636/2022/1 under section 59B of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act). The amendment is limited to extending works approval expiry date from current date of 10/03/2025 to 10/03/2028.

None of the proposed works authorised by Works Approval W6636/2022/1 have been constructed to date.

2.3 Part IV of the EP Act

The Sorby Hills project was approved by the Environmental Protection Authority on 2 April 2014 via ministerial statement 964 (EPA Report 1491). The Sorby Hills project is a silver, lead and zinc mine with associated infrastructure and processing facilities. An extension to the time limit for implementation of the proposal (to be substantially implemented before April 2024) was approved on 27 May 2019 (MS1097: EPA Report 1632). A further extension to the time limit for implementation of the proposal (to be substantially implemented before December 2026) was approved on 18 December 2024 (MS 1097).

3. Consultation

The Works Approval Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 18/02/2025. On 03/03/2025 the Works Approval Holder waived the comment period.

4. Conclusion

The Delegated Officer has determined that an amendment to the expiry date of the works approval will be granted. The amendment is administrative in nature and therefore they do not alter the risk profile of the Premises, providing that activities, emissions and receptors as stated in existing approvals remain unchanged.

4.1 Summary of amendments

Table 1 below provides a summary of the proposed amendments and will act as a record of implemented changes. All proposed changes have been incorporated into the Revised works approval as part of the amendment process.

Condition no.	Proposed amendments
Duration	Extended for three years to 10/03/2028

Table 1: Summary of works approval amendments